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In re Application of :
Darwin J. Prockop et al :
Application No. 09/695,769 :
Filed: October 25, 2000 :
Attorney Docket No. 9598-101US2(99-0356) :

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed December 15, 2005, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The two-month period for filing the Appeal Brief under 37 CFR 41.37(a)(1), accompanied by the fee set forth in 37 CFR 41.20(b)(2), runs from the date of this decision.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed March 24, 2005, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on June 25, 2005.

An extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 must be filed prior to the expiration of the maximum extendable period for reply. See In re Application of S., 8 USPQ2d 1630, 1631 (Comm'r Pats. 1988). Accordingly, since the \$510.00 extension of time submitted with the petition on December 15, 2005 was subsequent to the maximum extendable period for reply, this fee is unnecessary and will be credited to petitioner's deposit account.

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This matter is being referred to Technology Center AU 1632.

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